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**Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report**

**February, 2010**

**Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)**

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....	819
Number of items* contained in these cases.....	1532
Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....	1454
Number of items analyzed this month.....	2232
Laboratories' backlog (Items).....	9229
Average time per analysis (turnaround time).....	175 days
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed.....	225

**Analysis Backlog**

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	717	8%
16-30 days old	754	8%
31-50 days old	1003	11%
Greater than 50 days	6755	73%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9229</b>	<b>100%</b>

\* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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**Analysis Profile**

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	69	3%
16-30 days	150	7%
31-50 days	332	15%
Greater than 50 days	1681	75%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2232</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Totals for Drugs of Interest**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Marijuana	233
Cocaine	735
Heroin	433
Others	831
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2232</b>

**Trafficking Items Analyzed**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Heroin	10
Cocaine	24
Oxycodone	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42</b>

**Calendar Year (2010) Totals through the End of the Month**

Items Submitted	3208
Items Analyzed	4312